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# SENIOR CLASS OF ROCKFORD HIGH SCHOOL

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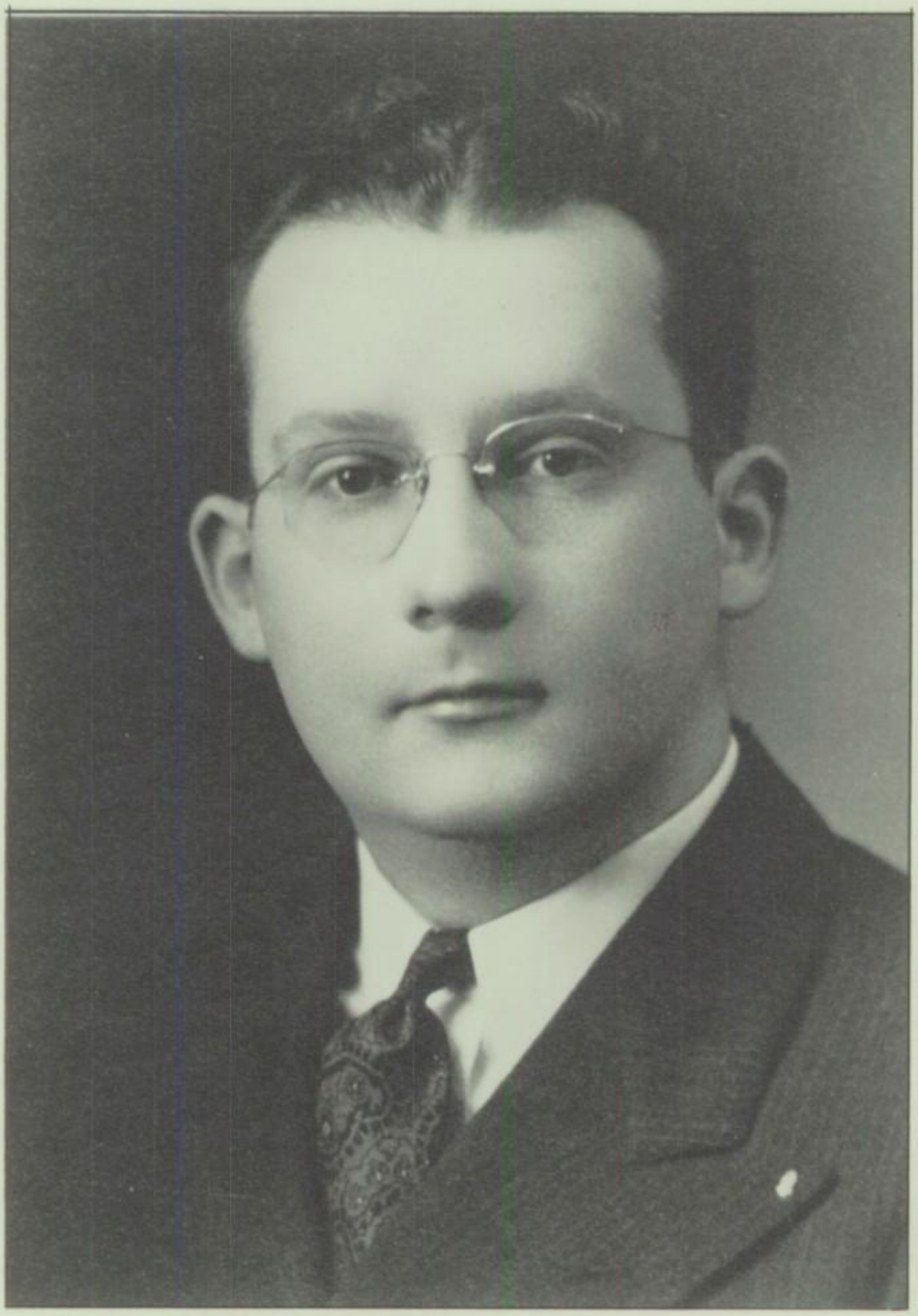


DEDICATION

We, of the Spirit of
1942 annual staff take
pleasure in dedicating
this edition to our class
adviser, Laurence F. McCauley
a good teacher and a trusty friend.

ALMA MATER SONG

Hail, Alma Mater,
Hail, Rockford High,
Colors we honor
The brilliant blue and white
Hail to the warriors
Valiant for thee,
Our pledge is ever
True to thee.

## FACULTY

Mr. Eugene W. Bowman has been the superintendent of our school for the past three years. He attended higher schools of education in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

Mr. Leon Hibbs graduated from Cheney Normal and has spent the last four years wasting his hard earned knowledge on Rockford's seventh and eighth grades and atheletic teams.

Mr. Laurence McCauley who has taught here the past two years has been an enthusiastic Smith-Hughes instructor and enabled the boys to win high honors in judging contests. He has also been a swell class adviser.

Mrs. Rosalie Adams has spent the past year at Rockford trying to make good housekeepers out of the girls in the home economics classes. She also teaches girls physical education, and is adviser of the Girls' League.

Miss Winnifred Shepperd has proven in her first year at Rockford to be a great friend of the students outside of school as well as in.

Miss Viola Noonan, who is a newcomer this year is the commercial and English teacher. She put a great deal of extra time out in directing the senior play.

Mr. Virgil Butler, instructor of social sciences and geometry, has proved himself an interesting companion to the students.

Mr. J.J. Fitzpatrick, also a newcomer at Rockford, suffered the hardship and knocks of R.H.S. for a semester of one year and then retired to the quiet and peace of the air corps where he can study his music in an open tent.

Mrs. Golda Carter, our first and second grade teacher, has the honor of having served Rockford Schools longer than any other teacher on the faculty, a total of twenty-one years.

Miss Josephine Milton, the fifth and sixth grade teacher, was a graduate of Fairfield High School, but in her years at Rockford has become loyal to Rockford's ideals.

Miss Frances Verheyen, a former graduate of Rockford High School, has been third and fourth grade teacher for several years.

Mr. William Gerlach is the school custodian.

## SCHOOL BOARD

The members of the school board are Bert Mills, chairman, Claude Flower, Frank Fonder, Cameron Pratt, Louis Mithoug, and Nathan Oliver, clerk. They hold meetings in the schoolhouse whenever meetings are necessary. Their offices rotate and two are elected every year.

# CLASSES

LYLE WEST - Class Rep.

KEITH AHERN - President

SAM ANEST - Vice President

ZELDA SLEGEL - Secretary

ELLEN BERNET

HAROLD TIEDE

MARJORIE HAUSKEN

KENNETH PURCELL

WILLIAM HICKSTEIN

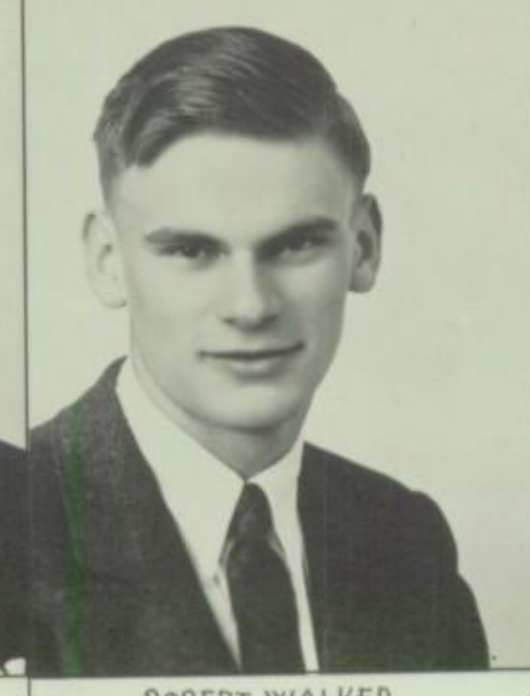
GENE WYCOFF

LAUREN BROWN

PEARL COPPERSMITH

MILDRED SCHMIDT

DON NULP



ROBERT WALKER

ETHEL HAUSKEN

# CLASS WILL

We, the senior class of 1942, do hereby will and bequeath in all good faith the following articles and cherished tokens to our beloved classmates, friends and faculty.

We leave the school, as a whole, a few of our initials carved in the desks, some torn books, and lots and lots of gum under the seats to you underclassmen, with our felicitations.

Pearl Coppersmith is undecided and disappointed but thinks it is best to will her Billy Bell to Harvard University for safe keeping.

William Hickstein wills his rolled up pants legs to Mr. Hibbs' baby, and hopes they will fit it better.

Marjorie Hausken wills her temper and dictatorship in history class to Georgia Cross. Kind of her, wasn't it Georgia?

Lauren Brown wills his good looks and interest in Frances Moulton to Billy Martin who we believe is proud to have this honor bestowed upon him.

Mildred Schmidt wills her slim and graceful figure to Mr. Fitzpatrick, who will appreciate it when he is fitted for his army apparel.

Robert Walker wills his last interests in his Model-T Ford to Uncle Sam for National Defense material. Great going, Bob!

Don Nulph wills his experience of wooing in the wee hours of the mornings to Wilma Seehorn who is already practicing.

Kenny Purcell wills his ability to shoot pool and stay out early in the mornings from his Friday night jaunts to Spokane to Glen Mount who is following in his footsteps.

Ethel Hausken wills her inspiring laugh and broad smile to next years American history class.

Lyle West wills his pet sayings to his mathematics teacher, Mrs. Adams.

Zelda Siegel wills her wavy hair to Llewellyn McMillan. Save all that wave set for National Defense, Llewellyn.

Gene Wycoff wills her ability to skip study hall to Jimmy Ramsey who can only make it half way before being caught.

Keith Ahern wills his skeleton key to Tommy Purtill. Saves lock expenses doesn't it, Tommy?

Ellen Bernet wills her bashfulness to Berniece Weller, and hopes she uses it at the most opportune times.

Sam Anest wills all the Freeman girls to Billy Adams who already has a part interest in them.

Harold Tiede wills his collection of hair ribbons to Gus Anest. We hope you enlarge on it, Gus.

# CLASS PROPHECY

Keith Ahern, after all his experience in high school plays, has taken over Dorothy Dix's column of advice to the love lorn. He has found the business very profitable and is considering publishing a newspaper of his own soon.

Sam Anest has developed his talent as mechanic and after all these years Henry Ford has recognized his talent and given him a position as chief designer in his factory.

Ellen Bernet has been happily married to her girlhood sweetheart in California. They are living in Beverly Hills. Every afternoon Ellen goes to the movies to see her favorite actors, Donald Duck's little nephews.

Our up and coming stock judger, Lauren Brown, has varied his ambition a little and is trying his skill at training white mice for the National Livestock Show. So far he has been able to make them wash their "lily-white fur" with gentle Ivory soap so they will be 99 44/100 % purebred.

Those airmail letters Pearl Coppersmith received when she was a senior have accomplished their purpose. She has married a prominent Harvard chemist and has two children, Carbon and Monoxide.

Time has gone by since Marjorie Hausken argued with Mr. Fitzpatrick in American History class, but it was not all in vain. She is now one of the outstanding congresswomen from the state of Washington.

William Hickstein has realized the ambition that he kept so hidden during his long school years, and is now taking Nelson Eddy's place on the radio.

"Can't be Wrong" Purcell got his start as a mathematician. Kenny is now working in the little country of Flipper Dipper, surveying the former Islands of Japan and has just discovered to his own satisfaction that the world is round and not square.

Donald A. Nulph, after twenty years of hard labor has risen to the highest possible office of the firm for which he has been employed. He is now president of the Take and Leave It Junk Company. There is now only one office but he is planning to open another in the flourishing city of Rattlers Run.

Zelda Siegel, a housewife, has settled down on a cattle ranch, with her husband in old Wyoming where they are trying their luck with making their cattle live on love the way they have been doing.

Tinkering with motorcycles was not a total loss of time for Harold Tiede for today he is to compete with two other riders on Dead Man's Hill. For further details see tomorrow's obituaries.

we started our freshman year with many new students, Pearl Coppersmith, Ellen Bernet, and Robert Walker, all from the Mica Peak district; Keith Ahern from Fairfield, Washington; Pete Anest, Zelda Siegel, Ethel Hausken, Sam Anest, and Marjorie Hausken entered from Freeman, Washington. We were all as "green as grass" and then what would happen but we had to be initiated. We, of course, thought we were quite smart, getting out of the eighth grade, but all those teachers really scared us and we found all too soon that we were just as dumb as ever.

Well, anyway we got to be sophomores, how we did it is a subject for a lot of discussion, and we thought we were pretty smart, we had to, no one else did. Aha! we got to do the initiating this time. But shucks, it just turned out to be a lot of work.

During our freshman and sophomore years, we gave an occasional party but during our junior year we gave several parties, a prom, a picnic for the seniors, and last but not least, our class play which was a huge success as far as knowing our parts and acting was concerned. That was when Ann Labish joined us from Cheney, Washington, but she left us and went back to Cheney this year.

Our latest member is Lyle West who entered the senior class from Kingston, Idaho. However, Luella Dobler started with original four but she entered and withdrew several times and finally finished her schooling before the rest of the class.

Now, we're seniors or upper classmen but after all these years of waiting to boss everybody around, we have no desire to do so. We'd just as soon be ourselves and take things the best we know how. Now that we are graduating, no matter what we said before, we're going to miss good old Rockford High School and all its ups and downs and teachers, too.

Class Motto--"We've Crossed The Bay In Safety; The Ocean Lies In View"

Class Colors--Green and White

Class Flowers--White Carnation

In the last, year, the seniors have been active. In February, they presented their play, "There Goes the Bride." They have purchased their announcements and personal name cards. They had their sneak May 21. The two people to receive honors in the class were Ethel Hausken, Valedictorian and Mildred Schmidt who was salutatorian. Baccalaureate was May 24 with Reverend I. G. Wilkins as speaker. Commencement was May 28. Professor Maynard Daggy delivered the address. We also had a party in Spokane on April 23. Then, of course the Prom was given in our honor.

Robert Walker is a designer of women's hats at the "Any Thing Can Be a Hat" shop in New York City. He has five charming little Walkerettes who have the pleasure of being his hat models.

Lyle West, an expert saxophone and clarinet player, is patiently trying to give music lessons to all of the teachers in Rockford High School. He is having trouble with Mr. Butler and Mr. Fitzpatrick, they don't know enough about his kind of music to suit him.

After many long years of training, Gene Wycoff has developed her alto voice so that she can now hit high C. Of course, she got much practice singing Lohengrin's Wedding March in the senior play. She has taken the place of Jessica Dragonette as an operatic star and there are rumors that the young debutante may wed the orchestra leader, Andre Von Finklestein from Shanghai, Argentina.

As we look in on Ethel Hausken we can see her gently soothing the brow of a handsome young man in the Mayo Clinic. Ethel is Superintendent of the Nurses here and says she has found that her occupation has brought her the things she has always longed for. Ethel says life there would be perfect if only they would replace the elevators with staircases and banisters.

Our own little Mildred Schmidt after all her practice as a home economics teacher in Rockford High School has become a bride and is testing her ability to cook on her husband. She has really accomplished something, she can boil water without burning it. Her next task is to make hash.

## HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF FORTY TWO

The class of '42 has only four of its original students Mildred Schmidt, Lauren Brown, William Hickstein, and Kenneth Purcell with Mrs. Golda Carter who did her best to make us "catch on" for two long years. Then, Mayme Olson took on this task during our third and fourth years of work, fun, play, or whatever you wish to call it.

Don Nulph breaks up our little foursome and it is now a quintet as he entered the fifth grade from parshall, North Dakota. Miss Josephine Milton spent two very hard years trying to teach us how to multiply and divide correctly. Then, who should enter the seventh grade, but Gene Wycoff from Freeman, Washington, and Harold Tiede from Pine Bluff, Washington. While we were in the seventh and eighth grades, Mrs. Ida Taylor took us under her wing and mothered us until we were ready to be green—emphasis on the green—freshmen.

Of course, many members of the class came and went but

## FRESHMAN CLASS

| FIRST SEMESTER | OFFICES | SECOND SEMESTER |
|---|---|---|
| Lionel Young | President | Betty Bell |
| James Pierce | Vice President | Esther Dau |
| Esther Dau | Secretary | Shirley Hamilton |
| Billy Adams | Treasurer | Shirley Hamilton |
| Betty Bell | Class Representative | Lois Hecht |
| Stanley Primmer | Sergeant at Arms | Max Dobler |

Class Adviser - Virgil O. Butler

One of the most exciting events for the freshman class was their initiation, October 3. They gave a return party to the sophomores on October 17, and an all-hi party on March 13, with a Saint Patrick's Day theme.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

| FIRST SEMESTER | OFFICES | SECOND SEMESTER |
|---|---|---|
| Desmond McDonald | President | Marilyn Stroup |
| Marilyn Stroup | Vice President | Rovella Sahli |
| Bill Goebel | Secretary & Treasurer | Gordon Anderson |
| Rovella Sahli | Class Representative | Desmond McDonald |
| Phil Hausken | Sergeant at Arms | Phil Hausken |

Class Adviser-Mrs. Rosalie Adams

Work for the sophomores came at the beginning of the year when they initiated the freshmen. They gave them a party on October 3. They also gave an all-hi party on January 30.

## JUNIOR CLASS

| FIRST SEMESTER | OFFICES | SECOND SEMESTER |
|---|---|---|
| June Laakso | President | Eugene Weitkamp |
| Eugene Weitkamp | Vice President | James Trejbal |
| Wilma Seehorn | Secretary & Treasurer | June Laakso |
| Tommy Purtill | Class Representative | Tommy Purtill |
| Junior Drechsel | Sergeant at Arms | Don Christiansen |

J. J. Fitzpatrick was the adviser of this class until he enlisted in the Army Air Corps at Geiger Field at the end of the first semester. E. C. Patterson was then adviser of the class. During the first semester the class gave an all-hi party on December 20, 1941.

The class presented their three-act mystery comedy play "As the Clock Strikes," on April 6. It was very ably directed by Miss Winnifred Shepperd. The class used the proceeds from this play to give a prom in honor of the seniors on May 15. The gymnasium was decorated with a patriotic theme. A dance band from Cheney furnished the music.

FRESHMEN CLASS

Back row: Lionel Young, Lois Hecht, Helen Mary, Margaret Colliet, Thelma Burk, Junior Carlson, and Virgil Butler, Adviser.

Second row: Raymond Fricke, Gene Wing, Bill Adams, Stanley Primmer, and Max Dobler.

Front row: Frances Moulton, Esther Dau, Shirley Hamilton and Betty Bell.

Absent from picture: Betty Chance.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

Third row: Jime Ramsey, LeeRoy McMillan, Gus Anest, Gordon Anderson, Philip Purcell, Alden Jorgensen, Phil Hausken, Desmond McDonald, Llewellyn McMillan, Mrs. Adams.

Second row: Margaret Schmidt, Verna Ahern, Georgiann Clark, Georgia Cross, Rovella Sahli, Betty Weller, Teresa Sullivan, Mildred West.

Front row: Shirley Walker, Lovonne MacDonald, Margaret Christensen, Marilyn Stroup.

JUNIOR CLASS

Third row: Mr. Patterson, Don Christiansen, Arnold Olson, Lawrence Berner, Bill Martin, Lyle Olson, Fred Mithoug.

Second row: Tommy Purtill, James Trejbal, Junior Orechsel, Gerald Holcomb, Eugene Weitkamp, Wesley Brown.

First row: Bernice Weller, Thelma Engeln, June Laakso.

Absent from picture: Fern Palmer and Glen Mount.

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## JUNIOR PLAY

The Junior class presented their mystery-comedy play, "As the Clock Strikes," on April 6, in the high school gymnasium. It was very well presented under the advice of Miss Winnifred Shepperd. The cast was as follows:

Nick Bolton - - - - - - - - - - - -Eugene Weitkamp
William - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Gerald Holcomb
Alex Manchester - - - - - - - - - Don Christiansen
Nancy Arnold - - - - - - - - - - - -Bernice Weller
Madge Keating - - - - - - - - - - - - -Fern Palmer
Mrs. Randolph - - - - - - - - - - - - -June Laakso
Jim Keating - - - - - - - - - - - - - Fred Mithoug
Sam Randolph - - - - - - - - - - - - Tommy Purtill
Lucius Dreer - - - - - - - - - - - - James Trejbal

## SENIOR PLAY

The Senior class play, "There Goes the Bride," was given the tenth of February. It was a three-act farce, and was very successfully presented under the direction of Miss Noonan. The cast was as follows:

Phyllis Curtiss - - - - - - - - - -Mildred Schmidt
Mrs. Curtiss - - - - - - - - - - - -Ellen Bernet
Dr. Curtis - - - - - - - - - - - - -Bill Hickstein
Tom Eldridge - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Bob Walker
Lewis Benton - - - - - - - - - - - - - Keith Ahern
Billy Curtiss - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Don Nulph
Beachy Curtiss - - - - - - - - - - - - Gene Wycoff
Sally - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Ethel Hausken
Natalie - - - - - - - - - - - - - Pearl Coppersmith
Anastasia O'Reilly - - - - - - - -Marjorie Hausken
Officer O'Flynn - - - - - - - - - - - - -Sam Anest

## STUDENT COUNCIL

| FIRST SEMESTER | OFFICES | SECOND SEMESTER |
|---|---|---|
| E. W. Bowman | Adviser | E. W. Bowman |
| Don Nulph | President | Don Nulph |
| Eugene Weitkamp | Vice president | Eugene Weitkamp |
| Gene Wycoff | Secy. & Treasurer | Gene Wycoff |
| Sam Anest | Senior Representative | Lyle West |
| Tom Purtill | Junior Representative | Tom Purtill |
| Rovella Sahli | Sophomore Representative | Desmond McDonald |
| Betty Bell | Freshman Representative | Lois Heckt |

## FACULTY

The faculty of our school consists of eleven teachers, six women and five men.

Back row: Winnifred Shepperd, Lawrence McCauley, Leon Hibbs, Everett Patterson, and Viola Noonan.

Front row: Eugene Bowman, Golda Carter, Josephine Milton, Rosalie Adams, Frances Verheyen and Virgil Butler.

The inset is John Fitzpatrick.

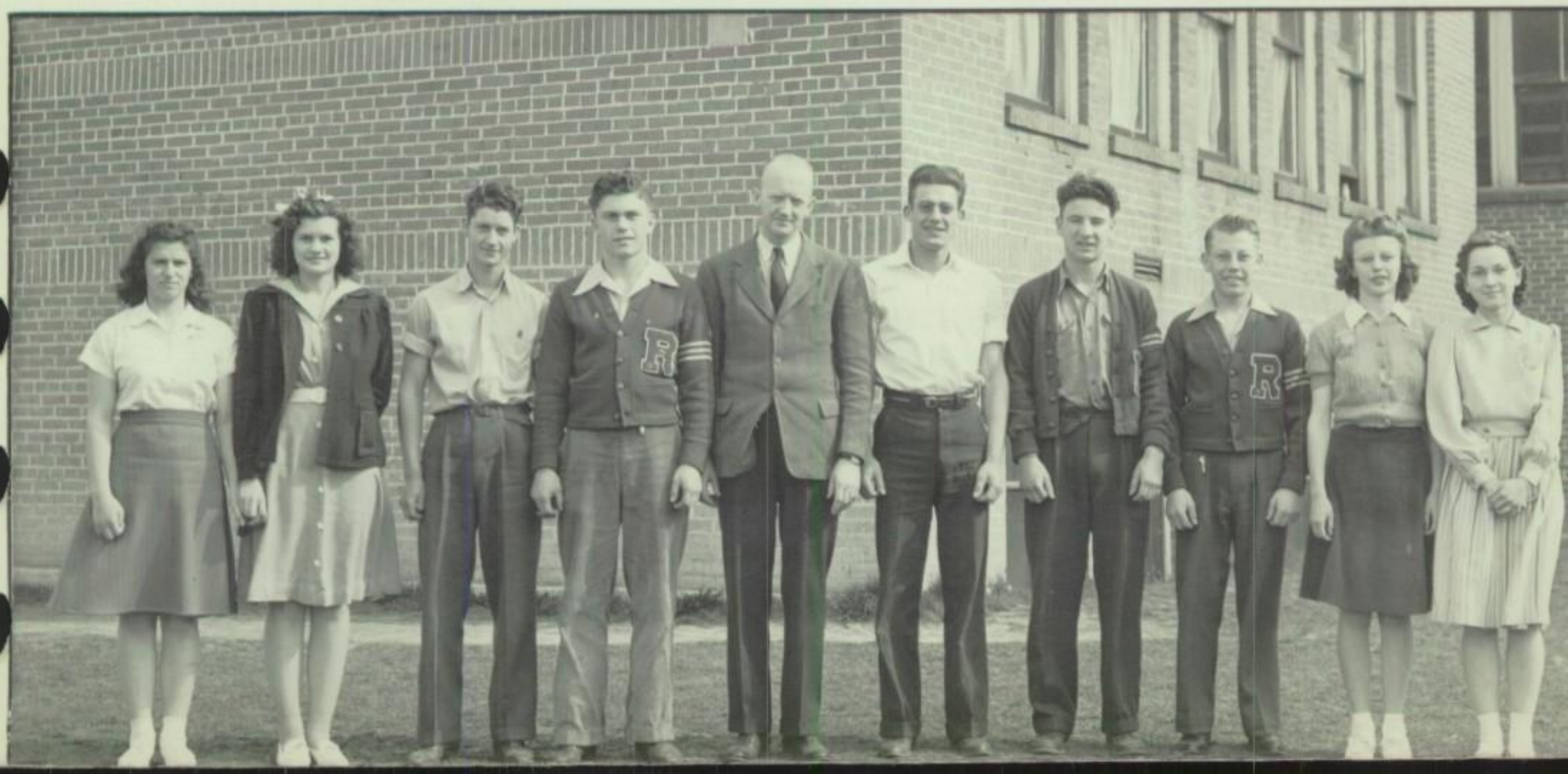
## THE ROCKET

The Rocket, the school nesspaper is published bi-monthly by the elective English class and a few other interested people from outside of the class. It consists of four sheets or eight pages and is supported by the money taken in for advertisements and subscriptions.

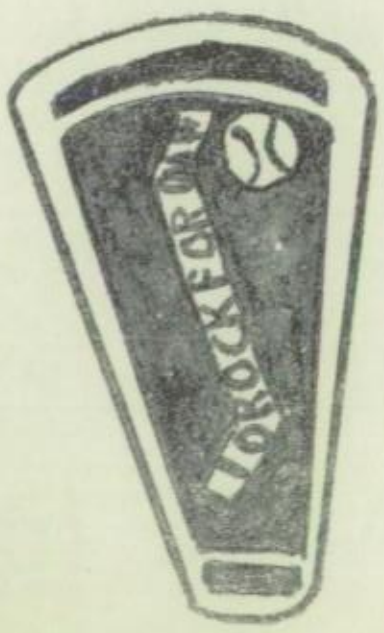
The staff is as follows: Seated, Ethel Hausken, Marjorie Hausken, Mildred Schmidt, June Laakso, Gene Wycoff and Virgil Butler, Adviser. They make up the elective English class. Standing are: Raymond Fricke, Marilyn Stroup, Junior Carlson, Margaret Schmidt, Thelma Engeln, Esther Dau, and Philip Purcell.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Betty Bell, Rovella Sahli, Desmond McDonald, Lyle West, Eugene Weitkamp, E. W. Bowman, superintendent; Sam Anest, Tommy Purtill, Don Nulph, Lois Hecht and Gene Wycoff.



# SOCIETIES AND CLUBS



# GIRLS' LEAGUE

Although the Girls' League wasn't as active as they really planned to be at the first of the year, they performed several activities that were usually done in the preceding years. One event which we were all proud of last year was the Pep Club which we did not have this year.

In order to carry out certain activities the League raised money by having a candy raffle, selling candy and pop corn at the basketball games and they gave a dance for the high school and made money by charging a small fee.

Just before Christmas the girls went on a caroling trip. They left about 6:00 o'clock in the evening went around town as well as into the country to sing Christmas Carols, and then returned to the school house to warm up a bit with chile. Everyone enjoyed it even if they did get pretty cold before they reached home.

The girls prepared Christmas baskets for a few of the needy families. The baskets included food, clothing, and toys for the younger children.

And also during the Christmas holidays the girls decorated a big tree and placed it in the assembly.

As a continuance from last year the League proceeded with the point system of receiving pins. This was somewhat an honor system. For each event that the girls took part in they received a certain number of points. In order to receive a first year pin one had to have fifty points; for a second year pin they had to have one hundred points; for a third pin it was two hundred and for a fourth year pin it was three hundred. The fourth was a gold pin with a guard of the number four; the third was gold without a guard, the second a silver with a guard of the number two and the first was a silver without a guard. The girls worked hard to earn their pins and felt proud of them when they did.

In the spring in March, the Mother's Tea was given again by the Girls' League. The theme used was that of St. Patrick's Day. The girls also entertained the mothers with a short program.

The officers of the Girls' League the first semester of school were President, Ann Labish; Vice President, Gene Wycoff; Secretary, Lois Hecht; Treasurer, Pearl Coppersmith; and Corresponding Secretary, Mildred Schmidt. The League's adviser was Mrs. Adams who did a lot for the success of the club.

Officers of the second semester were President, Pearl Coppersmith; Vice President, Lovonne MacDonald; Secretary, Fern Palmer; Treasurer, Rovella Sahli; and Corresponding Secretary, Gene Wycoff.

## MAJORETTES

Starting in the lower left-hand corner they are: Frances Moulton, Lovonne McDonald, Shirley Hamilton, Bernice La Shaw, Margaret Collier, Phyllis Holcomb, Gertrude Goebel, Verna Ahern, Joy Laakso, Margaret Christensen and Joanne Flower.

## GIRLS' LEAGUE

Back row: Thelma Engeln, Margaret Schmidt, Betty Weller, Georgiann Clark, Georgia Cross, Zelda Seigel, Ellen Bernet, Teresa Sullivan, Helen Mary, June Laakso.

Third row: Marjorie Hausken, Esther Dau, Shirley Hamilton, Verna Ahern, Margaret Collier, Lois Hecht, Shirley Walker, Ethel Hausken and Mrs. Rosalie Adams the adviser.

Second row: Marilyn Stroup, Gene Wycoff, Margaret Christensen, Mildred West, Thelma Burk, Betty Bell, Bernice Weller and Frances Moulton.

First row: Mildred Schmidt, Pearl Coppersmith, Lovonne McDonald, Rovella Sahli.

## FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Back row: Lawrence Berner, Lionel Young, Philip Purcell, Kenneth Purcell, Alden Jorgensen, Phil Hausken, Arnold Olson, Junior Carlson and Gene Wing.

Third row: Glen Mount, Gerald Holcomb, Junior Drechsel, Bill Adams, Desmond McDonald and Lawrence McCauley, Adviser.

Second row: Max Dobler, Fred Mithoug, Llewellyn McMillan, Jime Ramsey, Don Nulph, and LeeRoy McMillan.

Front row: Lauren Brown, Keith Ahern, Tommy Purtill, Bob Walker, Eugene Weitkamp and Wesley Brown.

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F. F. A.

## STOCK JUDGING

The F.F.A. stock judging team judged at a large number of contests this year and as a whole were very successful. The contests are as follows:

| TOWN | DATE | NUMBER OF TEAMS | PLACING |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dayton | Sept. 13, 1941 | 17 | 5th |
| Colfax | Sept. 19, 1941 | 18 | 5th |
| Colville | Sept. 20, 1941 | 18 | 4th |
| Pullman | Sept. 27, 1941 | 25 | 5th |
| Portland | Oct. 4, 1941 | 74 | 1st |

The Portland stock judging team was made up of Lauren Brown, Kenny Purcell, and Don Nulph. The alternates were Wesley Brown and Eugene Weitkamp. Out of 222 boys present at the contest, Lauren rated 4th, Kenny 11th, and Don 21st. The average points of all of the contests which the boys took part in were Lauren-994, Eugene-988, Wesley-950, Kenny-934, and Don-912.

The boys were very fortunate in winning first place at Portland. They won the silver cup by fifty-two points over Dayton, Washington. The team had very stiff competition at this contest which consisted of seventy-four teams. It is a known fact that Rockford is the sixth Washington team to have won this cup in the past seventeen years. In order to keep this cup the team from Rockford must win first place next year.

Mr. McCauley thought as a whole the team was very consistent throughout the year, and is very proud to have been the coach of so fortunate a stock judging team.

Lauren Brown was chosen as one of the three representatives from Washington to attend the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City, Missouri. He was chosen by averaging the total judging credits for the entire year which amounted to a total of 4678.10 points.

## POTATO JUDGING

| TOWN | DATE | NUMBER OF TEAMS | PLACING |
|---|---|---|---|
| Riverside | Nov. 5, 1941 | 12 | 12 |
| Pullman | Nov. 10, 1941 | 24 | 2 |
| Ellensburg | Nov. 15, 1941 | 16 | 7 |

The judging squad composed of Joe Miller, Bill Goebel, Desmond McDonald, Llewellyn McMillan, Phillip Hausken, and Arnold Olson. Desmond and Llewellyn were the two high point boys of the squad during the judging season.

## OFFICERS

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Lauren Brown
Vice President - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Keith Ahern
Secretary - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Eugene Weitkamp
Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Bob Walker
Reporter - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Wesley Brown
Watch Dog - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -Tommy Purtill

The F. F. A. sponsored a turkey raffle at Thanksgiving for the purpose of raising money.

The F. F. A. Chapter of Cheney sponsored a Farm Shop judging contest on January 31st. Rockford took second place from a group of ten teams. This contest is the first of its kind to have taken place in this area and it was very successful.

The boys that judged in this contest were Eugene Weitkamp, Kenny Purcell and Lawrence Berner. The alternates were Lauren and Wesley Brown.

## FARM CROPS JUDGING

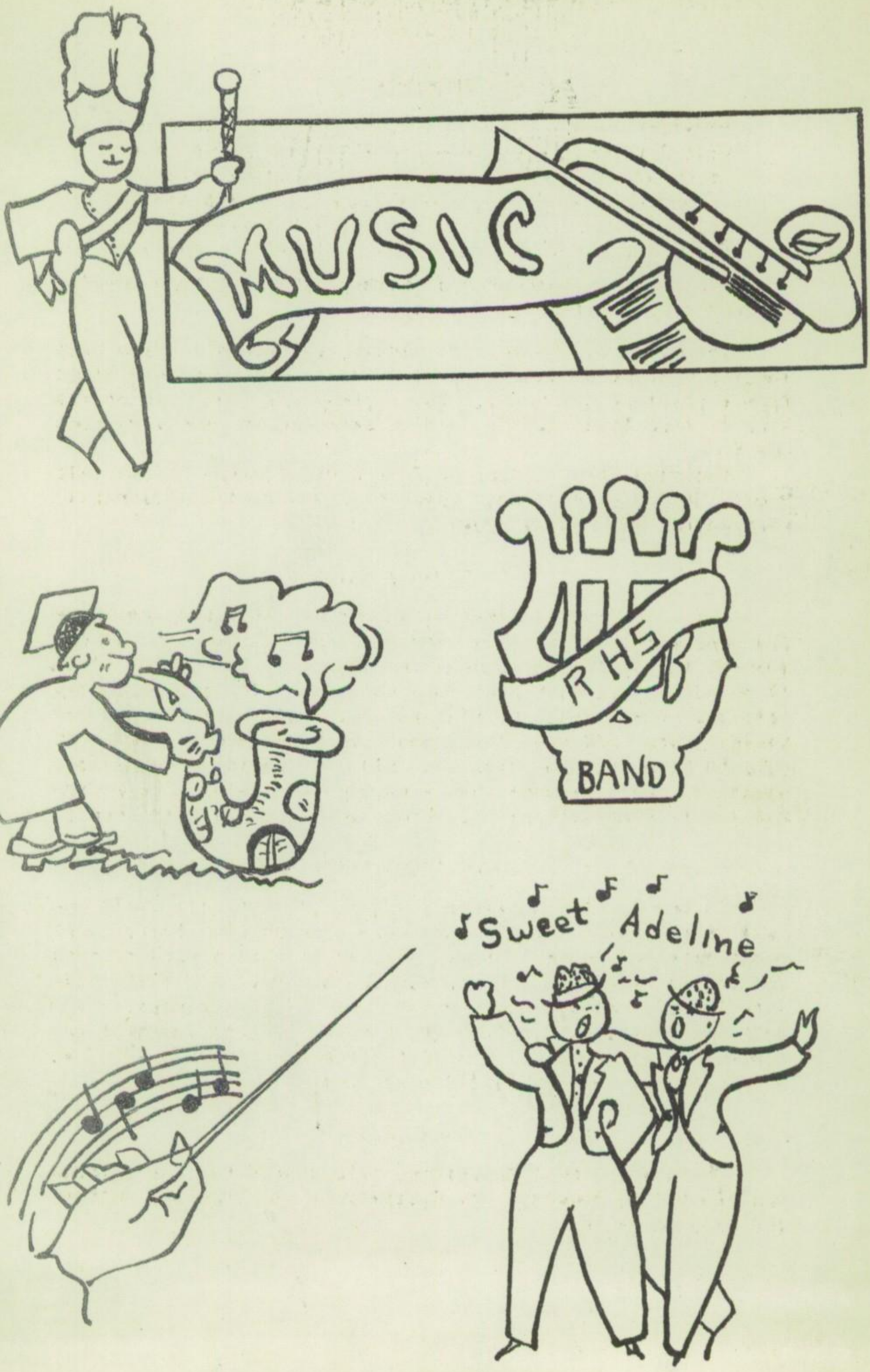
The Farm Crops contest was March 14, at Cheney and here the boys did very well by taking first place. The second contest was at Whitman County and here they took third place. At the Cheney contest the boys won a rotating plaque. They were the first ones to have won it. This plaque goes for twelve years and then the school that has won it the most gets to keep it. The boys that did the judging were Desmond McDonald, Phil Hausken and Llewellyn McMillan. The alternates were Lawrence Berner, LeeRoy McMillan and Bill Goebel.

## LOCAL STOCK SHOW

On May 4, the Rockford F. F. A. Chapter held their annual Stock Show. The show was very successful. There were about twenty-five fat steers and ten or twelve pens of hogs and sheep; altogether there was one hundred and fifty dollars in prize money given out to the different boys. From here the Rockford boys took their stock to the Junior Livestock Show in Spokane. The stock from the Rockford F. F. A. boys amounted to about $1300 when sold.

## MAJORETTES

There are eleven majorettes this year. Phyllis Holcomb was elected as leader. Mr. Fitzpatrick and then Mr. Patterson were advisers.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## BAND

This years band started out as a group comprised of twenty-eight members. Some of the members changed at the end of the semester but the membership stayed the same. The first of its activities for the year was learning to march in formation. During the football season the band together with the baton twirlers and all under the leadership of J. J. Fitzpatrick marched and played at three football games.

With the beginning of the basketball season the band played at all of the basketball games and marched at a couple of them. During this time the members has purchased royal blue sweaters and eight inch chenille music emblems which they wore with dark skirts or trousers.

Although they weren't all alike they served the purpose until everyone could get white slack.

In January the band and baton twirlers after receiving an invitation from Otis Orchards, went there with the basket ball team and played and marched at the game.

With the change of the semester we also had a change of music teachers. Mr. Fitzpatrick joined the air corps band at Geiger Field and his place was filled by E. C. Patterson.

On March 27, the band and the glee club combined gave their annual concert. The proceeds from this concert went to the fund for band uniforms.

The twenty-four piece orchestra started its activities for the year by playing for an assembly program in the fall.

In the spring Betty Bell and Margaret Schmidt went to Cheney to take part in the annual music meet. They play the clarinet and flute respectively.

The band gave its last performance of the year at Commencement exercises.

## GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

The girls' Glee Club took part in several programs during the year. The first one was an assembly program given for the high school. They sang several numbers at the Christmas program and then at the end of the year they sang for baccalaureate and Commencement.

## ORCHESTRA

The first activity of the orchestra this year was playing at an assembly program given jointly with the glee club. Since that they have appeared at several programs including the junior and senior plays, the Christmas program and Baccalaureate.

## GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

Back row: Margaret Christensen, Helen Mary, Thelma Engeln, Georgiann Clark, Rovella Sahli, Mildred Schmidt, Shirley Hamilton, Betty Bell and Ethel Hausken.

On Ground: Everett Patterson, instructor; Gene Wycoff, Frances Moulton, Lovonne MacDonald, Esther Dau, Verna Ahern, Georgia Cross, Margaret Collier, Lois Hecht and Thelma Burk. Absent from picture: Betty Chance. Joanne Flower is accompanist.

## ORCHESTRA

Back row: Lionel Young, Max Dobler, Eileen Flower, Jim Ramsey, Junior Carlson, James Trejbal, Arnold Olson, Rovella Sahli, Barbara Fonder, Everett Patterson, instructor.

Second row: Patsy Fonder, Betty Christeansen, Raymond Fricke, Leona Rott, Eugene Weitkamp, Georgia Cross, June Laakso, Eddie Larson and Joy Laakso.

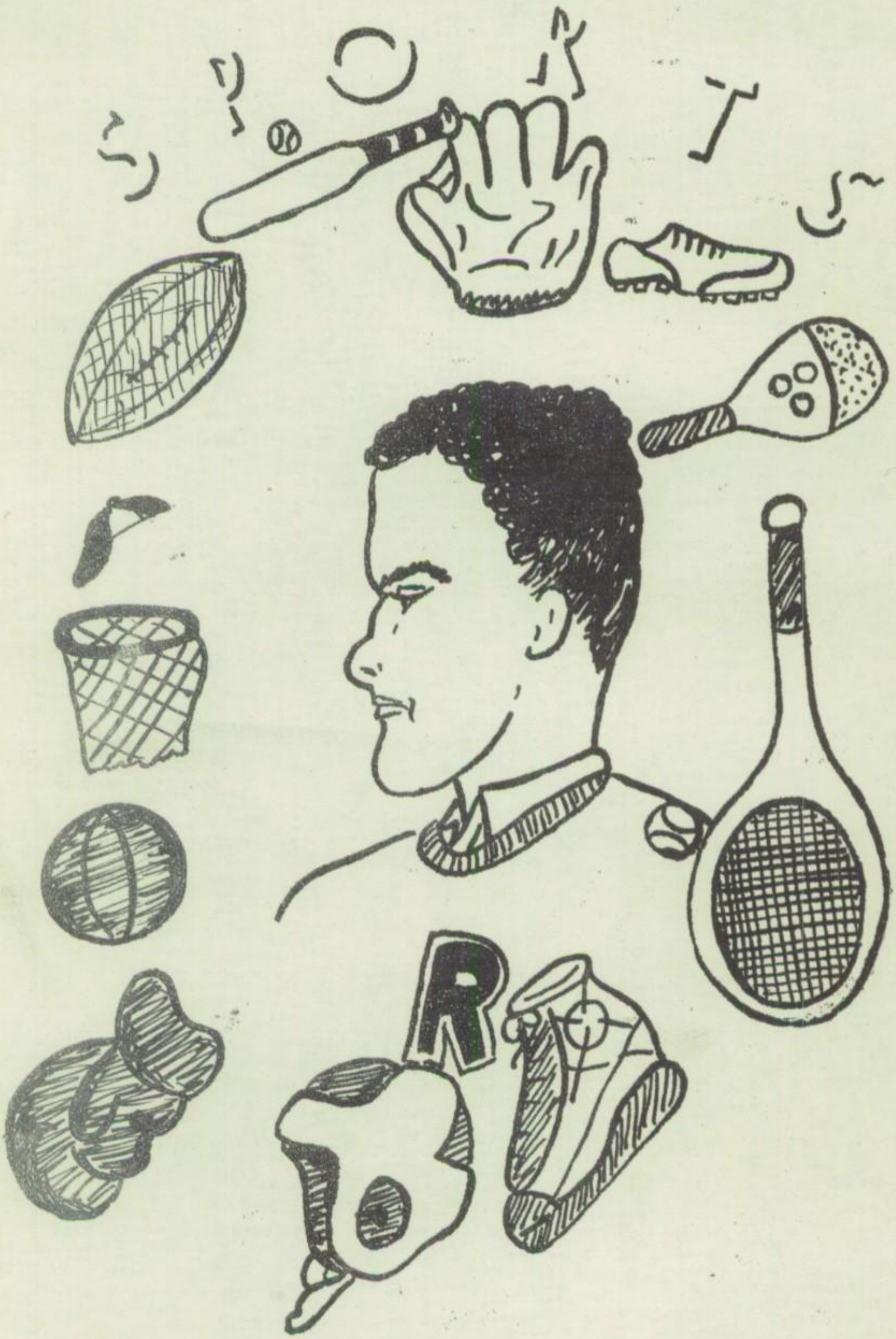
Front row: Ann Marie Sullivan, Margaret Schmidt, Frances Moulton, Mary Belle Morrison, Lois Hecht and Betty Bell. Each play the instrument they are holding. Frances Moulton is accompanist.

## BAND

Back row: Max Dobler, Bill Adams, Arnold Olson, Bill Martin, Eugene Weitkamp, James Trejbal, Junior Carlson, Jim Ramsey, Elvin Primmer, Eddie Larson.

Standing on Ground: Everett Patterson, instructor; Mildred Schmidt, Grace Nulph, Margaret Schmidt, Barbara Fonder, Rovella Sahli, Teresa Sullivan, Ruth Stroup, Eileen Flower, Mildred West, Lois Hecht, Betty Bell, Ann Marie Sullivan and Lionel Young.

Kneeling: Mary Belle Morrison, Raymond Fricke, Gene Wing and June Laakso. They each play the instrument which they are holding. Absent from the picture is Fred Mithoug.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## FOOTBALL

Our football team wasn't as successful as we had hoped for, winning only a few games. Our boys are all quite young having only one senior on the team. The team consisted of the following boys: Don Christiansen, Kenny Purcell, Tommy Purtill, Eugene Weitkamp, Gerald Holcomb, Bill Goebel, Jime Ramsey, Lionel Young, Billy Adams and Alden Jorgensen, Kenny Purcell being the only player to graduate this spring. The football team should have a good season next fall because all of the boys will be playing then, with the exception of Kenny.

Mr. Hibbs is a very capable football coach, having played three years at college, being captain of the team his senior year.

## BASKETBALL

Throughout the season the Rockford Indians played clean hard ball. In the conference games Rockford didn't do so well winning one-third of their games. However it is with pride that Rockford can point to the game with Spangle. In this game it took the County winners an overtime to defeat Rockford by only one point.

At the Round Robin at Fairfield, Rockford lost to Latah by the close score 8 to 6, but easily won third place by defeating Lindbergh 11-0.

One of the bright spots of the Indians' season was the winning of the Latah Tournament. Rockford defeated Spangle, the County League Winners, Medical Lake, and finally Latah. Rockford received a very nice trophy from the sponsors of the tournament.

Who were the boys who carried the blue and white for Rockford? The lineup was Hickstein, Nulph, Weitkamp, Purtill, Drechsel, Holcomb, Olson, and Bill Goebel.

No doubt the greatest member of our team was Leon Hibbs our coach. He was always on the sidelines, substituting when necessary, and encouraging the boys to play their finest ball. We can't forget Mr. Hibbs, who sent our basketball team to the State meet in Seattle a few years ago. We appreciate the time and effort our coach has put in with our teams of the last four years.

The only players of our team to graduate are Hickstein and Nulph who have received letters for the last three years for playing basketball. With six team members to return next fall, Rockford can look forward to a very successful season.

## FOOTBALL

Those standing are: Glen Mount, Manager, Junior Drechsel, Desmond McDonald, Don Nulph, Lyle Olson, Aldin Jorgensen, Kenny Purcell, Mr. Hibbs, Coach.

Those kneeling are: Eugene Weitkamp, Tommy Purtill, Gerald Holcomb.

## BASKETBALL BOYS

Standing: Tommy Purtill, Gerald Holcomb, Junior Drechsel, Bill Hickstein, Lyle Olson and Coach Leon Hibbs.

On ground: Eugene Weitkamp, Arnold Olson, manager, and Don Nulph.

## BASEBALL

As the baseball season has just begun, there is little to say about it. Due to wet weather, turnout was started rather late. The boys turning out this year are Kenny Purcell, Don Nulph, Tom Purtill, Gerald Holcomb, Eugene Weitkamp, Junior Drechsel, Lyle Olson, Alden Jorgensen, Joe Millet, Max Dobler and Philip Purcell.

Standing: Glen Mount, Junior Drechsel, Desmond McDonald, Don Nulph, Lyle Olson, Alden Jorgensen, Kenneth Purcell and Coach Leon Hibbs.

On Ground: Eugene Weitkamp, Tommy Purtill and Gerald Holcomb.

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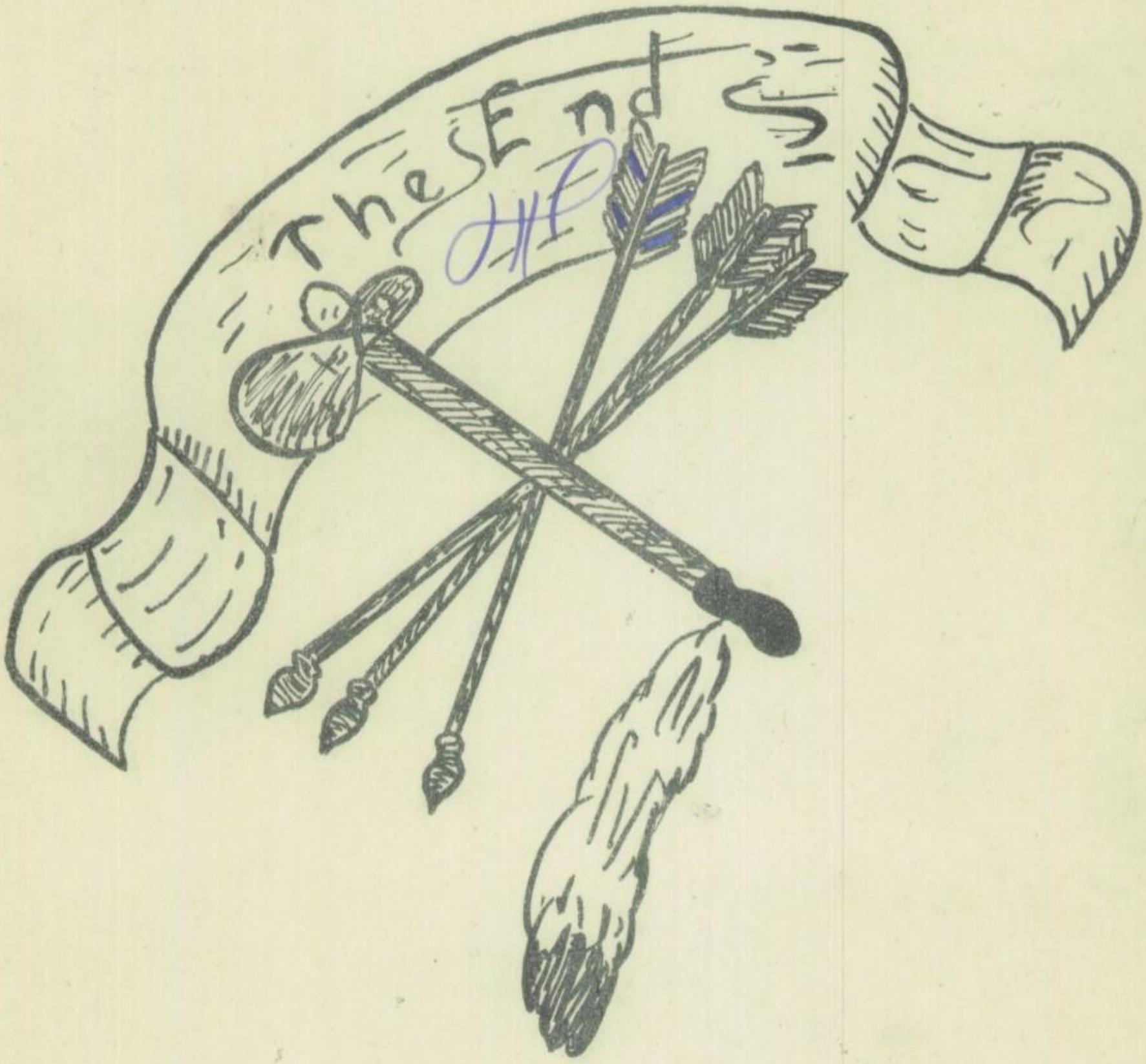
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